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January 27, 2012

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed the review of the following amendment to the Merced County Association of Governments' (MCAG) 2010/11 – 2013/14 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

14 Local and State Element

 This amendment adds fourteen new Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality projects and revises the programmed funding of the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System Public Outreach and Marketing project.

See enclosures.

The MCAG Board Resolution adopting this FTIP amendment certifies that the amendment is financially constrained, does not change air quality conformity, and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by MCAG.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Director of Caltrans, I approve MCAG's Amendment Number 14. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transportation Administration approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2011 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of projects for federal funding.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Lima Huy of my staff, at (916) 651-7411.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

c: Lisa Hanf – Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Planning (w/enclosures) Eric Eidlin – FTA (w/enclosures)

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